

BLUE RIDGE MUSIC CENTER CUMBERLAND KNOB

MILEPOST

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Match the stringed instruments below to their descriptions. Draw a line from the instrument in the left column to its description in the right column.

BASS
FIDDLE



This instrument can be played with a pick or strummed, and plays the chords or the melody.

GUITAR



This instrument originally came from Africa and is often played loud and fast.

FIDDLE



This small instrument is strummed and has a high pitched sound.

BANJO



This instrument is played with a bow and usually plays the melody of the tune.

MANDOLIN



This instrument is used to keep the beat and has a big booming sound.

At the Blue Ridge Music Center, you can hear music people have played in the Blue Ridge for generations. Look around and talk to the rangers and musicians and learn about the stringed instruments people play this music on.

Draw a circle around the names of the musical instruments that you would find in a mountain music band:

Banjo	Drums	Trumpet	Fiddle	Guitar
Mandolin	Spoons	Bones	Bass	Oboe
Harp	Hamonica	Dulcimer	Clarinet	Flute

KEEPING TRACK



I visited Blue Ridge Music Center
and Cumberland Knob on _____

I explored _____

I enjoyed _____

I discovered _____



A People and Their Music



Can you find
a musician
at the Music
Center who
can sing this
song for you
today?

Mountain songs tell about the people who lived
here and how they lived. The verse of
"White Dove" goes like this—

In the deep rolling hills of old Virginia
Is a place that I love so well
Where I spent many days of my childhood
In a cabin where I used to dwell



Write your own
two-lined verse
for a song about
the place where
you live!

Song title:

A Gathering Place for Friends and Family

Cumberland Knob was the first picnic area built
on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Friends, families and
church groups have gathered here for generations.
Did you see any gatherings of people here?
How does this gathering place compare
to where you meet friends and family?

*Using the spaces below, write down
some of the things you enjoy doing with
your friends and family:*



I like to go on a picnic with my _____

A game we play when my family gets together is _____

My favorite food to eat at a picnic is _____

My favorite place to go for a picnic is _____

I help out when we have a picnic by _____